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August 4, 2014

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this notice is to state the Department's intention to issue a wastewater discharge permit to the facility listed in this notice. This permit is issued by the Department under the authority of 75-5-402, Montana Code Annotated (MCA); the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.30.1301 *et seq.*, Montana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (MPDES); and Sections 402 and 303 of the Federal Clean Water Act. The Water Protection Bureau has prepared a draft permit for the facility listed below. Copies of the draft permit, statement of basis, and environmental assessment are available upon request from the Water Protection Bureau or on the Department's website www.deq.mt.gov.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

APPLICANT NAME:	City of Glendive
FACILITY NAME:	City of Glendive Water Resource and Recovery Facility
FACILITY LOCATION:	3000 Montana Avenue, Dawson County
RECEIVING WATER:	Yellowstone River
PERMIT NUMBER:	MT0021628

The City of Glendive Water Resource and Recovery Facility will combine the existing City of Glendive's wastewater treatment lagoons and the Community of West Glendive's wastewater treatment lagoons. The combined facility will be a sequencing batch reactor (SBR) plant, which is a modification of a conventional activated sludge plant, with ultraviolet (UV) disinfection. The SBR plant will improve treatment of wastewater and will serve both the City of Glendive and the community of West Glendive. The plant will be constructed near the fairgrounds in the City of Glendive. Wastewater will be discharged to the Yellowstone River.

On September 21, 2000, a U.S. District Judge issued an order stating that until all necessary total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) under Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act are established for a particular water quality limited segment (WQLS), the State is not to issue any new permits or increases

under the MPDES program. The order was issued in the lawsuit Friends of the Wild Swan v. U.S. EPA, et al. (CV 97-35-M-DWM), District of Montana and Missoula Division. The Department finds that renewal of this permit does not conflict with Judge Molloy's Order (CV 97-35-M-DVM) because it is not a new permit and the segment of the Yellowstone River at Glendive is identified as Water Quality Category 4C – which means no TMDLs are required.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments are invited ANYTIME PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS September 3, 2014. Comments may be directed to the DEQ Permitting & Compliance Division, Water Protection Bureau, PO Box 200901, Helena, MT 59620. All comments received or postmarked PRIOR TO CLOSE OF BUSINESS September 3, 2014 will be considered in the formulation of final determinations to be imposed on the permits. If you wish to comment electronically, you may e-mail David Dunbar or Barb Sharpe at WPBPublicNotices@mt.gov.

During the public comment period provided by the notice, the Department will accept requests for a public hearing. A request for a public hearing must be in writing and must state the nature of the issue proposed to be raised in the hearing (ARM 17.30.1373).

The Department will respond to all substantive comments and issue a final decision within sixty days of this notice or as soon as possible thereafter. Additional information may be obtained upon request by calling (406) 444-3080 or by writing to the aforementioned address. The complete administrative record, including permit application and other pertinent information, is maintained at the Water Protection Bureau office in Helena and is available for review during business hours.

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